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Sir:

In accordance with 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.97 and 1.98, it is requested that the following reference, which is also listed on the attached Form PTO-1449, be made of record in the above-identified case.

1. Japanese Patent Application Publication No. 4-329944, dated November 18, 1992, together with English-language translation;

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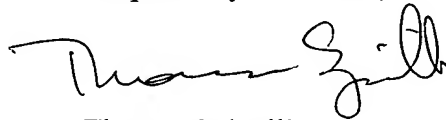
  
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2. Tuneo Oyama et al., "Endoscopic Mucosal Resection Using a Hooking Knife", Stomach and Intestine (2002), Vol. 37, No. 9, pp. 1155-1161, together with English-language translation; and
3. Haruhiro Inoue et al., "Endoscopic Mucosal Resection with a Cap-fitted Panendoscope for Stomach Cancer", Endoscopia Digestiva (2002), Vol. 14, No. 9, pp. 1301-1302, together with English-language translation.

Applicant is submitting copies of the above-cited references. The above-cited references have been cited in the specification.

Inasmuch as this Information Disclosure Statement is being submitted in accordance with the schedule set out in 37 C.F.R. § 1.97(b), no statement or fee is required.

Respectfully submitted,

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		4-329944	11/18/1992	Japan				

**OTHER DOCUMENTS**    *(Including Author, Title, Date, Pertinent Pages, Etc.)*

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